

# *T1* theorems on generalized Besov and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces over spaces of homogeneous type

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## Abstract

In this paper we extend the definition of the Besov and the Triebel-Lizorkin spaces in the context of spaces of homogeneous-type given by Han and Sawyer in [HS]. We consider, as a control of the 'local regularity', functions  $\psi(t)$  more general than the potentials  $t^\alpha$  used in their case. We also state *T1*-type theorems in these spaces. Our approach yields some new results for kernels satisfying integral regularity conditions.

## 1 Introduction

In the context of spaces of homogeneous type, G. David, J.L. Journée and S. Semmes, in [DJS], showed how to construct an appropriate family of operators  $\{D_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  whose kernels satisfy certain size, smoothness and moment conditions and the nondegeneracy condition  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} D_k = I$  on  $L^2$ . In [HS], Han and E. Sawyer introduced a class of distributions on spaces of homogeneous type and then established a Calderón-type reproducing formula associated to that family of operators for this class. This formula allowed them to define the Besov spaces  $\dot{B}_p^{\alpha,q}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$  and the Triebel-Lizorkin spaces  $\dot{F}_p^{\alpha,q}$ ,  $1 < p, q < \infty$  and to show that those spaces are independent of the family of operators  $\{D_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  involved in their definition and, in this way, to develop Littlewood-Paley characterizations of them.

By considering more general functions  $\psi(t)$  than the potential functions  $t^\alpha$  as a measure of the local regularity, in this paper we define the Besov spaces  $\dot{B}_p^{\psi,q}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$  and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces  $\dot{F}_p^{\psi,q}$ ,  $1 < p, q < \infty$  on spaces of homogeneous-type. We also state *T1*-theorems of boundedness of generalized Calderón-Zygmund operators on these spaces for kernels satisfying integral conditions of size and smoothness.

In the context of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , Y. Han and S. Hofmann in [HH] prove *T1*-theorems on the Besov spaces  $\dot{B}_p^{\alpha,q}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$  and the Triebel-Lizorkin spaces  $\dot{F}_p^{\alpha,q}(w)$ ,  $1 < p, q < \infty$ .

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$\infty$ . In the case of the Besov spaces they consider the following smoothness conditions

$$(L'1) \quad \sup_{\substack{R>0 \\ |u|+|v|\leq R}} \left( \int_{2^j R \leq |x-y|} |K(x+u, y+v) - K(x, y)| dx + \int_{2^j R \leq |x-y|} |K(x+u, y+v) - K(x, y)| dy \right) \equiv \gamma_1(2^{-j}),$$

where the 'modulus of continuity'  $\gamma_1$  satisfies  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_1((2A)^{-j}) < \infty$ , for  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\gamma_1(t) = t^\epsilon$  for  $0 < \alpha < \epsilon$ .

In the case of the Triebel-Lizorkin spaces they consider the conditions

$$(Lr2) \quad \sup_{\substack{R>0 \\ |u|+|v|\leq R}} (2^k R)^{n/r'} \left( \left( \int_{2^k R \leq |x-y| \leq 2^{k+1} R} |K(x+u, y+v) - K(x, y)|^r dx \right)^{1/r} + \left( \int_{2^k R \leq |x-y| \leq 2^{k+1} R} |K(x+u, y+v) - K(x, y)|^r dy \right)^{1/r} \right) \equiv \delta_r(2^{-k}),$$

where  $\int_0^1 \delta_r(t) \log \frac{1}{t} \frac{dt}{t} < \infty$  for  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\delta_r(t) = t^\epsilon$  for  $0 < \alpha < \epsilon$ .

On the other hand, in the context of homogeneous-type spaces, Han and Sawyer in [HS] prove  $T1$ -theorems on the Besov and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces for kernels satisfying standard conditions of size and smoothness. These are

$$(P1) \quad |K(x, y)| \leq A \delta(x, y)^{-1}$$

$$(P2) \quad |K(x, y) - K(x', y)| + |K(y, x) - K(y, x')| \leq \left( \frac{\delta(x, x')}{\delta(x, y)} \right)^\epsilon \delta(x, y)^{-1},$$

for  $\delta(x, y) \geq 2\delta(x, x')$ .

In the same context, we consider integral kernel estimates, slightly stronger than the ones established in [HH], when they are compared in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for convolution kernels, although our assumptions concerning to the 'modulus of continuity' and on the local regularity control of the spaces are weaker than theirs. Our results are a refinement of those obtained in [HS] since we recover these last ones for standard kernels and local regularity controlled by  $\psi(t) = t^\alpha$ .

In the next we establish the general settings of this work.

Given a set  $X$  we shall say that a real valued function  $\delta(x, y)$  defined on  $X \times X$  is a quasi-distance on  $X$  if there exists a constant  $A > 0$  such that for all  $x, y, z \in X$  it verifies:

- a)  $\delta(x, y) \geq 0$  and  $\delta(x, y) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y$
- b)  $\delta(x, y) = \delta(y, x)$
- c)  $\delta(x, y) \leq A[\delta(x, z) + \delta(z, y)]$ .

In a set  $X$  endowed with a quasi-distance  $\delta(x, y)$ , the balls  $B_\delta(x, r) = \{y : \delta(x, y) < r\}$  form a basis of neighborhoods of  $x$  for the topology induced by the uniform structure on  $X$ . Let  $\mu$  be a positive measure on a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $X$  which contains the

open set and the balls  $B_r(x, r)$ . We say that  $X := (X, \delta, \mu)$  is a *space of homogeneous type* if there exists a finite constant  $A'$  such that

$$\mu(B_\delta(x, 2r)) \leq A' \mu(B_\delta(x, r)) \quad (1.1)$$

holds for all  $x \in X$  and  $r > 0$ . Macías and Segovia ([MS]) showed that it is always possible to find a quasi-distance  $d(x, y)$  equivalent to  $\delta(x, y)$  and  $0 < \theta \leq 1$ , such that

$$|d(x, y) - d(x', y)| \leq Cr^{1-\theta} d(x, x')^\theta \quad (1.2)$$

holds whenever  $d(x, y) < r$  and  $d(x', y) < r$ .

We also say that  $(X, \delta, \mu)$  is of order  $\theta$  if  $\delta$  satisfies (1.2).  $(X, \delta, \mu)$  is a *normal space* if there exist constants  $A_1$  y  $A_2$  such that

$$A_1 r \leq \mu(B_\delta(x, r)) \leq A_2 r \quad (1.3)$$

holds for every  $x \in X$  and  $r > 0$ .

In this paper  $X := (X, \delta, \mu)$  will mean a normal space of homogeneous type of order  $\theta$ .

Given a ball  $B$  in  $X$  and a number  $\eta$ ,  $0 < \eta \leq \theta$ , we denote by  $\Lambda^\eta(B)$  the set of all the complex-valued functions  $f$  with support in  $B$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq C \delta(x, y)^\eta, \quad x, y \in X.$$

We denote  $|f|_\eta$  the infimum of the constants appearing in (1.4) and  $\|f\|_\eta = \|f\|_\infty + |f|_\eta$ . We say that a function  $f$  belongs to  $\Lambda_0^\eta$  if  $f \in \Lambda^\eta(B)$  for some ball  $B$ . The space  $\Lambda_0^\eta$  is the inductive limit of the Banach spaces  $\Lambda^\eta(B)$ . The space of all continuous linear functionals on  $\Lambda_0^\eta$  will be denoted  $(\Lambda_0^\eta)'$ .

A nonnegative real function  $\phi$  defined on the positive numbers is said to be of *lower type*  $\alpha \geq 0$  if there exists a constant  $C_1 > 0$  such that

$$\phi(st) \leq C_1 s^\alpha \phi(t) \text{ for } 0 < s \leq 1 \text{ and } t > 0.$$

Similarly,  $\phi$  is said to be of *upper type*  $\beta$  if there exists a constant  $C_2 > 0$  such that

$$\phi(st) \geq C_2 s^\beta \phi(t) \text{ for } 0 < s \leq 1 \text{ and } t > 0.$$

In the next we state the properties of an approximation to the identity as defined in [HS]. In [DJS], it is shown how to build such approximation to the identity. Let  $A$  be the constant of the triangular inequality associated to  $\delta$

**DEFINITION 1.1** A sequence  $(S_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  of integral operators is called an approximation to the identity, if the kernels  $S_k(x, y)$  associated to  $S_k$  are functions from  $X \times X$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  and there exist  $0 < \epsilon \leq \theta$  and a finite constant  $C$  such that for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $x, x', y, y' \in X$  they satisfy

$$S_k(x, y) = 0 \text{ if } \delta(x, y) \geq (2A)^{-k} \text{ and } \|S_k\|_\infty \leq C(2A)^k, \quad (1.4)$$

$$|S_k(x, y) - S_k(x', y)| \leq C(2A)^{k(1+\epsilon)} \delta(x, x')^\epsilon, \quad (1.5)$$

$$|S_k(x, y) - S_k(x, y')| \leq C(2A)^{k(1+\epsilon)} \delta(y, y')^\epsilon, \quad (1.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |[S_k(x, y) - S_k(x, y')] - [S_k(x', y) - S_k(x', y')]| \\ \leq C(2A)^{k(1+2\epsilon)} \delta(x, x')^\epsilon \delta(y, y')^\epsilon, \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

$$\int_X S_k(x, y) d\mu(y) = \int_X S_k(x, y) d\mu(x) = 1. \quad (1.8)$$

In all this paper the constant  $\epsilon$ ,  $0 < \epsilon \leq \theta$ , will denote that associated to an approximation to the identity satisfying (1.5), (1.6) and (1.7) of Definition (1.1).

The operators  $D_k = S_k - S_{k-1}$  satisfy  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} D_k = I$  in  $L^2$  since  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S_k f = f$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} S_k f = 0$  in  $L^2$ . Moreover, their associated kernels  $D_k(x, y)$  satisfy properties (1.4) to (1.7) of Definition (1.1) and

$$\int_X D_k(x, y) d\mu(y) = \int_X D_k(x, y) d\mu(x) = 0. \quad (1.9)$$

In [HS] was introduced a suitable class of test functions defined on  $X$ , the set  $M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$  and its dual space  $(M^{(\beta, \gamma)})'$ .

**DEFINITION 1.2** Given  $0 < \beta \leq 1$ ,  $\gamma > 0$  and  $x_0 \in X$  fix. A function  $f$  defined on  $X$  is a smooth molecule of type  $(\beta, \gamma)$  of width  $d$  centered in  $x_0$ , if there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x)| &\leq C \frac{d}{(d + \delta(x, x_0))^{1+\gamma}}, \\ |f(x) - f(x')| &\leq C \delta(x, x')^\beta \left( \frac{d}{(d + \delta(x, x_0))^{1+\gamma}} + \frac{d}{(d + \delta(x', x_0))^{1+\gamma}} \right), \\ \int f(x) d\mu(x) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

hold for every  $x \in X$ .

We denote by  $\|f\|_{(\beta, \gamma)}$ , the infimum of the constants appearing in (1.10) and (1.10). With this norm  $M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$  is a Banach space and the space  $(M^{(\beta, \gamma)})'$  is the set of all continuous and linear functional on  $M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$ . We denote by  $\langle h, f \rangle$  the natural application of  $h \in (M^{(\beta, \gamma)})'$  to  $f \in M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$ .

In [HS], the authors prove Calderón-type reproduction formulas for both spaces. These formulas are stated in the following theorems:

**THEOREM 1.1** Let  $(S_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  be an approximation to the identity and set  $D_k = S_k - S_{k-1}$ . There exist families of operators  $(\tilde{D}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  and  $(\hat{D}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  such that for all  $f \in M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$

$$f = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{D}_k D_k f = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} D_k \hat{D}_k f,$$

where the series converges in  $M^{(\beta', \gamma')}$ , for  $\beta' < \beta$  and  $\gamma' < \gamma$ .

If  $(\tilde{D}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  y  $(\hat{D}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  are like in Theorem (1.1) then their associated kernels  $\tilde{D}_k(x, y)$  and  $\hat{D}_k(x, y)$  are  $(\epsilon', \epsilon')$ -smooth molecules of width  $(2A)^{-k}$ , as functions of the first and second variable respectively. Therefore,  $\tilde{D}_k^* f$  and  $\hat{D}_k^* f \in M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$ , whenever  $f \in M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$ ,  $0 < \beta, \gamma < \epsilon$ . This allows to define  $\tilde{D}_k h$  and  $\hat{D}_k h$  as elements of  $(M^{(\beta, \gamma)})'$  for  $h \in (M^{(\beta, \gamma)})'$ , by  $\langle \tilde{D}_k h, f \rangle = \langle h, \tilde{D}_k^* f \rangle$  and  $\langle \hat{D}_k h, f \rangle = \langle h, \hat{D}_k^* f \rangle$ . It is then proved in [HS] that the formulas in Theorem (1.1) are also valid in the sense of distributions. More precisely

**THEOREM 1.2** *Let  $(D_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ ,  $(\tilde{D}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  and  $(\hat{D}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  be like in Theorem (1.1). Then for all  $f \in (M^{(\beta, \gamma)})'$ , we have that*

$$f = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{D}_k D_k f = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} D_k \hat{D}_k f,$$

in the sense of

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \langle \sum_{|k| \leq M} \tilde{D}_k D_k f, g \rangle = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \langle \sum_{|k| \leq M} D_k \hat{D}_k f, g \rangle$$

for all  $g \in M^{(\beta', \gamma')}$ , with  $\beta' > \beta$  and  $\gamma' > \gamma$ .

## 2 Generalized Besov and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces

In the context of spaces of homogeneous type, Han and Sawyer ([HS]) define the Besov spaces  $\dot{B}_p^{\alpha, q}$  and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces  $\dot{F}_p^{\alpha, q}$ , of distributions whose 'local regularity' is controlled by the function  $t^\alpha$ , with  $-\epsilon < \alpha < \epsilon$ , and its integrability by  $p$  and  $q$ . Replacing the potentials  $t^\alpha$  by more general functions  $\psi(t)$ , we define the spaces  $\dot{B}_p^{\psi, q}$  and  $\dot{F}_p^{\psi, q}$ .

In the sequel we denote by  $\psi$  the function  $\psi = \phi_1 / \phi_2$ , where  $\phi_1(t)$  and  $\phi_2(t)$  are quasi increasing functions of upper type  $s_1 < \epsilon$  and  $s_2 < \epsilon$ , respectively and  $\{D_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  the family of operators defined in Theorem (1.1).

**DEFINITION 2.1** For  $f \in (M^{(\beta, \gamma)})'$ , with  $0 < \beta, \gamma < \epsilon$ , we define

$$\|f\|_{\dot{B}_p^{\psi, q}} = \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \|D_k f\|_p \right)^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \quad \text{if } 1 \leq p \leq \infty, 1 \leq q \leq \infty,$$

with the obvious change for the case  $q = \infty$  Interchanging the order of the norms in  $L^p$  and  $l^q$  we have

$$\|f\|_{\dot{F}_p^{\psi, q}} = \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} |D_k f| \right)^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\|_{L^p}, \quad \text{if } 1 < p, q < \infty.$$

Also, if  $w$  is a nonnegative locally integrable function, we denote

$$\|f\|_{\dot{F}_p^{\psi, q}(w)} = \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} |D_k f| \right)^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\|_{L^p(w)}, \quad \text{if } 1 < p, q < \infty.$$

In a similar way to the case  $\psi(t) = t^\alpha$ , (see [HS]), it can be proved that if  $(P_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  is another approximation to the identity of order  $\epsilon$  and  $E_k = P_k - P_{k-1}$  then the norms obtained replacing  $D_k$  by  $E_k$  are equivalent to the defined in (2.1), (2.1) and (2.1). The same result is true replacing the operators  $D_k$  by  $\tilde{D}_k^*$  or  $\tilde{D}_k$ .

The Besov space  $\dot{B}_p^{\psi,q}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$ , is the set of all  $f \in (M^{(\beta,\gamma)})'$ , with  $\beta > s_1$  and  $\gamma > s_2$ , such that

$$\|f\|_{\dot{B}_p^{\psi,q}} < \infty \text{ and } |\langle f, h \rangle| \leq C \|f\|_{\dot{B}_p^{\psi,q}} \|h\|_{(\beta,\gamma)},$$

for all  $h \in M^{(\beta,\gamma)}$ .

Analogously, The Triebel-Lizorkin space  $\dot{F}_p^{\psi,q}(w)$ , with  $1 < p, q < \infty$ , is the set of all  $f \in (M^{(\beta,\gamma)})'$ , with  $\beta > s_1$  and  $\gamma > s_2$ , such that

$$\|f\|_{\dot{F}_p^{\psi,q}(w)} < \infty, \text{ and } |\langle f, h \rangle| \leq \|f\|_{\dot{F}_p^{\psi,q}(w)} \|h\|_{(\beta,\gamma)},$$

for all  $h \in M^{(\beta,\gamma)}$ .

When  $\psi(t) = t^\alpha$  we have the usual Besov space  $\dot{B}_p^{\alpha,q}$  and the Triebel-Lizorkin space  $\dot{F}_p^{\alpha,q}(w)$ .

In the following, we state the main properties of the generalized Besov and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces,  $\dot{B}_p^{\psi,q}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$  and  $\dot{F}_p^{\psi,q}(w)$ ,  $1 < p, q < \infty$ , without including their proof in order of not extending this work. Both classes are Banach spaces and the corresponding dual spaces are  $\dot{B}_{p'}^{1/\psi,q'}$  and  $\dot{F}_{p'}^{1/\psi,q'}(w^{-p'/p})$  respectively, with  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$  and  $1/q + 1/q' = 1$ . The molecular space  $M^{(\beta,\gamma)}$  is continuously embedded in both of them if  $s_1 < \beta$  and  $s_2 < \gamma$ . Moreover,  $M^{(\epsilon',\epsilon')}$  is dense in  $\dot{B}_p^{\psi,q}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$  and  $\dot{F}_p^{\psi,q}$ ,  $1 < p, q < \infty$ , for all  $\epsilon'$ , such that  $\max(s_1, s_2) < \epsilon' < \epsilon$ .

In the case of  $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ , we give some examples of classical distributions spaces that can be characterized as special cases of the Besov and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces.

For  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $\dot{B}_p^{0,2} = L^p$ . (See [Tr2] and [FJW]).

If  $\phi$  is of positive lower type and upper type lower than 1,  $\dot{B}_p^{\phi,q} = \dot{\Lambda}_\phi^{p,q}$ , (see [Tr2], [S], [J], [B], [I]) where  $\dot{\Lambda}_\phi^{p,q}$  is the set of all the functions (modulus constants) such that

$$\left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( \frac{\|f(x+y) - f(x)\|_p}{\phi(|y|)} \right)^q \frac{dy}{|y|^n} \right]^{1/q} < \infty, \text{ for } 1 \leq p < \infty, 1 < q < \infty$$

and

$$\sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^n, y \neq 0} \frac{\|f(x+y) - f(x)\|_p}{\phi(|y|)} < \infty, \text{ for } 1 \leq p \leq \infty \text{ and } q = \infty.$$

The homogeneous Sobolev space  $\dot{L}_p^k$ , with  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  and  $k$  a nonnegative integer, consists of all tempered distributions  $f$  such that  $D^\gamma f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)$  and  $|\gamma| = k$ . Endowed with the norm  $\|f\|_{\dot{L}_p^k} = \sum_{|\gamma|=k} \|D^\gamma f\|_p$  we have that,  $\dot{L}_p^k \simeq \dot{F}_p^{k,2}$ . (See [Tr2] and [FJW]).

Let consider the fractional derivative operator  $D_\alpha$  defined by  $\widehat{D_\alpha h}(\xi) = |\xi|^\alpha \widehat{h}(\xi)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < n$ , for  $h \in S_o = \{f \in S : \text{supp } f \subset \mathbb{R}^n - 0\}$ . Given  $f \in S'_o$ ,  $D_\alpha f$  is defined

by  $\langle D_\alpha f, h \rangle = \langle f, D_\alpha h \rangle$ , for  $h \in S_0$ . The homogeneous fractional Sobolev space  $\dot{L}_p^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , is the set of all  $f \in S'_0$  such that  $D_\alpha f \in L^p$  endowed with the norm  $\|f\|_{\dot{L}_p^\alpha} = \|D_\alpha f\|_{L^p}$ . Then that  $\dot{L}_p^\alpha = \dot{F}_p^{\alpha,2}$  with equivalences of norms. In the setting of homogeneous-type spaces this result is obtained by Gatto and Vàgi in [GV]

### 3 Definition of the Calderón-Zygmund generalized operators and main theorems

Let be  $\Delta = \{(x, x)/x \in X\}$  and consider the continuous linear mapping  $T: \Lambda_0^\beta \rightarrow (\Lambda_0^\beta)'$  for every  $0 < \beta \leq \theta$ , associated to a kernel  $K(x, y)$ , defined on  $X \times X - \Delta$  and locally integrable outside  $\Delta$  such that

$$\langle Tf, g \rangle = \int \int g(x) K(x, y) f(y) d\mu(x) d\mu(y) \quad (3.10)$$

for all  $f, g \in \Lambda_0^\beta$  with disjoint supports.

We say that  $T$  has the weak boundary property of order  $\beta$ ,  $0 < \beta \leq \theta$ , if  $T$  verifies

$$(WBP) \quad |\langle Tf, g \rangle| \leq C\mu(B)^{1+2\beta} \|f\|_\beta \|g\|_\beta,$$

for  $f$  and  $g$  in  $\Lambda^\beta(B)$  and every ball  $B \subset X$ . Note that (WBP) is also true for every  $\epsilon \geq \beta$ .

To obtain the continuity of  $T$  on the generalized Besov spaces we require the following size and smoothness conditions on  $K$ :

$$(S0) \quad \sup_{R>0} \int_{R \leq \delta(x,y) \leq 2AR} (|K(x, y)| + |K(y, x)|) d\mu(x) \leq C, \text{ for every } y \in X;$$

$$(S1) \quad \int_{\delta(x,y) \geq (2A)(2A)^j R} \left( \sup_{0 < s \leq R} \frac{1}{s} \int_{\delta(z,x) < s} |K(w, z) - K(y, x)| d\mu(z) \right) d\mu(x) \leq \gamma_1((2A)^{-j}),$$

$$(S1') \quad \int_{\delta(x,y) \geq (2A)(2A)^j R} \left( \sup_{0 < s \leq R} \frac{1}{s} \int_{\delta(z,x) < s} |K(z, w) - K(x, y)| d\mu(z) \right) d\mu(x) \leq \gamma_1((2A)^{-j}),$$

for every  $w, y \in X$  and  $R > 0$  such that  $\delta(w, y) < R$ , for  $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  and where the *modulus of continuity*  $\gamma_1$  is a quasi-increasing function defined in  $t > 0$  such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \gamma_1(t) = 0$  and which satisfies

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (2A)^{j\alpha} \gamma_1((2A)^{-j}) < \infty \quad (3.11)$$

for some  $\alpha \geq 0$ , (or the equivalent condition  $\int_0^1 \gamma_1(t) \frac{1}{t^{\alpha+1}} dt < \infty$ ).

If  $K$  satisfies the punctual smoothness condition

$$(P) \quad |K(x, y) - K(x', y)| + |K(y, x) - K(y, x')| \leq \omega_\infty \left( \frac{\delta(x, x')}{\delta(x, y)} \right) \delta(x, y)^{-1}$$

for  $\delta(x, y) \geq 2A\delta(x, x')$ , where  $\omega_\infty$  is a quasi-increasing function such that  $\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} l\omega_\infty((2A)^{-l}) < \infty$ , then  $K$  verifies (S1) and (S1') and  $\gamma_1$  verifies  $\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \gamma_1((2A)^{-l}) < \infty$ .

If  $K$  verifies (S1) then it satisfies the following Hörmander-type condition:

$$(H1) \quad \int_{\delta(x,y) \geq (2A)^j R} |K(w, x) - K(y, x)| d\mu(x) \leq \gamma_1 ((2A)^{-j})$$

for every  $w, y \in X$  and  $R > 0$  such that  $\delta(w, y) < R$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\gamma_1$  is as in (S1). Similarly, (S1') implies

$$(H1') \quad \int_{\delta(x,y) \geq (2A)^j R} |K(x, w) - K(x, y)| d\mu(x) \leq \gamma_1 ((2A)^{-j})$$

for every  $w, y \in X$  and  $R > 0$  such that  $\delta(w, y) < R$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ .

In order to establish continuity results on the generalized weighted Triebel-Lizorkin spaces we need the following conditions on the kernel  $K(x, y)$  associated to the operator  $T$ :

Let  $1 < r < \infty$  and  $r'$  such that  $1/r + 1/r' = 1$ , then we set

$$(S^r 0) \quad \sup_{R > 0} R^{1/r'} \left( \int_{R \leq \delta(x,y) \leq 2AR} (|K(x, y)|^r + |K(y, x)|^r) d\mu(x) \right)^{1/r} \leq C, \\ \text{for every } y \in X;$$

$$(S^r 1) \quad \left[ \int_{\substack{(2A)^j R \leq \delta(x,y) \\ \leq (2A)^{j+1} R}} \left( \sup_{0 < s \leq R} \frac{1}{s} \int_{\delta(z,x) < s} |K(w, z) - K(y, x)|^r d\mu(z) \right) d\mu(x) \right]^{1/r} \\ \leq ((2A)^j R)^{-1/r'} \gamma_r ((2A)^{-j}), \text{ and}$$

$$(S^{r1'}) \quad \left[ \int_{\substack{(2A)^j R \leq \delta(x,y) \\ \leq (2A)^{j+1} R}} \left( \sup_{0 < s \leq R} \frac{1}{s} \int_{\delta(z,x) < s} |K(z, w) - K(x, y)|^r d\mu(z) \right) d\mu(x) \right]^{1/r} \\ \leq ((2A)^j R)^{-1/r'} \gamma_r ((2A)^{-j}).$$

for every  $w, y \in X$  and  $R > 0$  such that  $\delta(w, y) < R$ ,  $j = 2, 3, \dots$  and  $\gamma_r$  is a quasi-increasing function such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \gamma_r(t) = 0$  satisfying either  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_r((2A)^{-i}) < \infty$  or (3.11).

If  $K$  satisfies the punctual estimate (P), then  $K$  also satisfies (S<sup>r</sup>1) and (S<sup>r</sup>1') and  $\gamma_r = \omega_{\infty}$ .

If  $K$  verifies (S<sup>r</sup>1) then it also satisfies:

$$(H^r 1) \quad \left( \int_{(2A)^j R \leq \delta(x,y) \leq (2A)^{j+1} R} |K(w, x) - K(y, x)|^r d\mu(x) \right)^{1/r} \\ \leq ((2A)^j R)^{-1/r'} \gamma_r ((2A)^{-j})$$

for every  $w, y \in X$  and  $R > 0$  such that  $\delta(w, y) < R$ .

Analogously, from (S<sup>r</sup>1') we obtain

$$(H^r 1') \quad \left( \int_{(2A)^j R \leq \delta(x,y) \leq (2A)^{j+1} R} |K(x, w) - K(x, y)|^r d\mu(x) \right)^{1/r} \\ \leq ((2A)^j R)^{-1/r'} \gamma_r ((2A)^{-j})$$

whenever  $w, y \in X$  and  $R > 0$  is such that  $\delta(w, y) < R$ .

We now state the main theorems of this work:



**THEOREM 3.1** Let  $T: \Lambda_o^\beta \rightarrow (\Lambda_o^\beta)'$  be a linear continuous operator, with  $0 < \beta < \epsilon$ , weakly bounded of order  $\epsilon$  associated to a kernel  $K$  which verifies (S0), (S1) and (S1').

Let  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  be functions of lower types,  $i_1$  e  $i_2$  and of upper types  $s_1 < \epsilon$  and  $s_2, \epsilon$ , respectively. Suppose that  $\gamma_1$  verifies  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (2A)^{j\alpha} \gamma_1((2A)^{-j}) < \infty$  for some  $\alpha$ , such that  $0 \leq \alpha < \epsilon$ .

If  $T1 = 0$  then  $T$  is a bounded operator on  $\dot{B}_p^{\phi_1/\phi_2, q}$ , for  $0 < i_1 - s_2 \leq s_1 - i_2 \leq \alpha$  with  $0 < \alpha < \epsilon$  and  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$ .

If  $T1 = T^*1 = 0$  then  $T$  is bounded on  $\dot{B}_p^{\phi_1/\phi_2, q}$ , for  $-\alpha \leq i_1 - s_2 \leq s_1 - i_2 \leq \alpha$  and  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$ .

**THEOREM 3.2** Let  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $1 < q < \infty$ ,  $1 < r' < \min\{p, q\}$ ,  $r$  such that  $1/r + 1/r' = 1$  and  $w \in A_{p/r'}$ .

Let  $T: \Lambda_o^\beta \rightarrow (\Lambda_o^\beta)'$  be a linear continuous operator with  $0 < \beta < \epsilon$ , weakly bounded of order  $\epsilon$ , associated to a kernel  $K$  satisfying  $(S^r0)$ ,  $(S^r1)$  and  $(H^r1')$  with modulus of continuity  $\gamma_r$ , a quasi-increasing function such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \gamma_r(t) = 0$ .

1. Let suppose that  $\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} l \gamma_r((2A)^{-l}) < \infty$ . If  $T1 = T^*1 = 0$  then  $T$  is bounded in  $\dot{F}_{p,q}^{0,q}(w)$ .
2. Let  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  be of lower types  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ , and of upper types  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  lower than  $\epsilon$ , respectively.  
Suppose that  $\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (2A)^{l\alpha} \gamma_r((2A)^{-l}) < \infty$ , for some  $0 < \alpha < \epsilon$ .  
If  $T1 = 0$  then  $T$  is bounded in  $\dot{F}_p^{\phi_1/\phi_2, q}(w)$  for  $0 < i_1 - s_2 \leq s_1 - i_2 \leq \alpha$ .  
If  $T1 = T^*1 = 0$  then  $T$  is bounded in  $\dot{F}_p^{\phi_1/\phi_2, q}(w)$  for  $-\alpha \leq i_1 - s_2 \leq s_1 - i_2 \leq \alpha$ .

## 4 Proof of the theorems

Note that if the kernel  $K$  satisfies (S0) or  $(S^r0)$  then  $T$  can be extended to a continuous linear operator,  $T: M^{(\beta, \gamma)} \rightarrow (\Lambda_o^\beta)'$ , for every  $\gamma > 0$ .

In fact, for  $f \in M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$  and  $g \in \Lambda_o^\beta$  we consider  $x_0 \in X$ , like in the definition of  $M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$  and  $R > 0$  such that  $sopg \in B(x_0, R)$ . We choose  $\xi \in \Lambda_o^\theta$  such that  $\xi \equiv 1$  in  $B(x_0, 2AR)$  and  $\xi \equiv 0$  in  $B(x_0, 4A^2R)$ , and consider the following extension

$$\langle Tf, g \rangle := \langle T(f\xi), g \rangle + \langle Tf(1 - \xi), g \rangle, \quad (4.12)$$

where the first term in (4.12) is well defined since  $f\xi \in \Lambda_o^\beta$  and the second term must be understood as the integral

$$I = \int \int K(x, y) f(y) (1 - \xi(y)) g(x) d\mu(y) d\mu(x) \quad (4.13)$$

which is absolutely convergent for  $K$  satisfying (S0) if  $f$  and  $g$  are molecules. It is not hard to see that this extension is independent of the choice of  $\xi$  and coincides with the original operator when  $f \in \Lambda_o^\beta$ . In order to prove the boundedness of this operator on

the Besov and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces, in view of Theorem (1.1) and since  $D_k^*g \in \Lambda_0^\beta$  for every  $k \in Z$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle D_k T f, g \rangle &= \langle T f, D_k^* g \rangle \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{|j| \leq N} \langle T D_j(\hat{D}_j f), D_k^* g \rangle \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{|j| \leq N} \langle D_k T D_j(\hat{D}_j f), g \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (4.14)$$

for every  $f \in M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$  and  $g \in \Lambda_0^\beta$ . Setting  $T_{k,j} = D_k T D_j$ , the application

$$K_{k,j}(x, y) = \langle T D_j(\cdot, y), D_k(x, \cdot) \rangle,$$

is the associated kernel to  $T_{k,j}$  since for  $f \in M^{(\beta, \gamma)}$  and  $g \in \Lambda_0^\beta$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle T_{k,j} f, g \rangle &= \langle T D_j f, D_k^* g \rangle \\ &= \langle T \int D_j(\cdot, y) f(y) d\mu(y), \int D_k(x, \cdot) g(x) d\mu(x) \rangle \\ &= \int \int \langle T D_j(\cdot, y), D_k(x, \cdot) \rangle f(y) g(x) d\mu(x) d\mu(y), \end{aligned} \quad (4.15)$$

where (4.15) follows from the point of view of the theory of Bochner's integral. To prove Theorem (3.1) we need the following technical lemma:

**LEMMA 4.1** *Let  $T$  be a linear continuous operator from  $\Lambda_0^\beta$  to  $(\Lambda_0^\beta)'$ , for some  $0 < \beta < \epsilon$ , which is weakly bounded of order  $\epsilon$  and such that  $T1 = 0$ . Suppose that  $T$  is associated to a kernel  $K$  satisfying (S0), (S1) and (S1').*

*Then, for  $k \geq j$ , we have*

$$\int_X |K_{k,j}(x, y)| d\mu(y) + \int_X |K_{k,j}(x, y)| d\mu(x) \leq \omega((2A)^{-|k-j|}) \quad (4.16)$$

where  $\omega$  satisfies  $\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \omega((2A)^{-l})(2A)^{l\alpha} < \infty$ , whenever  $\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \gamma_l((2A)^{-l})(2A)^{l\alpha} < \infty$ , for some  $\alpha$ , with  $0 \leq \alpha < \epsilon$ . For  $k < j$ , the left-hand side of (4.16) is bounded by a constant.

**PROOF:**

Let us first consider the case  $k \geq j$  and suppose that  $\delta(x, y) \geq 4A^2(2A)^{-j}$ . Since  $\text{sop } D_k(x, \cdot)$  and  $\text{sop } D_j(\cdot, y)$  are disjoint sets and  $\int_X D_k(x, z) d\mu(z) = 0$  then  $K_{k,j}$  is well defined in the form

$$K_{k,j}(x, y) = \int_X \int_X D_k(x, z) [K(z, u) - K(x, u)] D_j(u, y) d\mu(u) d\mu(z).$$

As  $\int |D_j(\cdot, y)| d\mu(y) \leq C$  and  $\delta(u, y) \leq (2A)^{-j}$  for  $u \in \text{sop } D_j(\cdot, y)$ , we get that  $\delta(x, u) \geq (2A)^{-j+1}$  and then,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\delta(x, y) \geq 4A^2(2A)^{-j}} |K_{k,j}(x, y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \int_{\delta(x, z) \leq (2A)^{-k}} |D_k(x, z)| \int_{\delta(x, u) \geq 2A(2A)^{-j}} |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| \\ &\quad \times \left( \int |D_j(u, y)| d\mu(y) \right) d\mu(u) d\mu(z) \\ &\leq C \int_{\delta(x, z) \leq (2A)^{-k}} |D_k(x, z)| \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_{\delta(x, u) \geq 2A(2A)^{k-j}(2A)^{-k}} |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| d\mu(u) \right) d\mu(z). \end{aligned} \quad (4.17)$$

Applying (H1), which follows from (S1), the inner integral in (4.17) is then bounded by  $\gamma_1((2A)^{-(k-j)})$  and, as  $\|D_k(x, \cdot)\|_1$  is uniformly bounded in  $k$  and  $x$ , we obtain that

$$\int_{\delta(x,y) \geq 4A^2(2A)^{-j}} |K_{k,j}(x,y)| d\mu(y) \leq C\gamma_1((2A)^{-(k-j)}), \quad (4.18)$$

To handle the integral in  $d\mu(x)$  on the set  $\delta(x,y) \geq 4A^2(2A)^{-j}$ , we apply (S1') and the property  $\|D_k\|_\infty \leq C(2A)^k$  to get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\delta(x,y) \geq 4A^2(2A)^{-j}} |K_{k,j}(x,y)| d\mu(x) \\ & \leq C \int |D_j(u,y)| \int_{\delta(x,u) \geq 2A(2A)^{k-j}(2A)^{-k}} \\ & \quad \times \left( (2A)^k \int_{\delta(x,z) \leq (2A)^{-k}} |K(z,u) - K(x,u)| d\mu(z) \right) d\mu(x) d\mu(u) \\ & \leq C\gamma_1((2A)^{-(k-j)}). \end{aligned}$$

We now consider the case  $\delta(x,y) \leq 4A^2(2A)^{-j}$ . Choosing  $\xi \in C_0^\infty(-3A, 3A)$  such that  $\xi \equiv 1$  in  $[-2A, 2A]$  we define  $h_k(z) = \xi((2A)^k \delta(x, z))$ . Since  $T1 = 0$ , we can split  $K_{k,j}$  as

$$\begin{aligned} K_{k,j}(x,y) &= \langle D_k(x, \cdot), T(D_j(\cdot, y)h_k) \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle D_k(x, \cdot), T(D_j(\cdot, y)(1 - h_k)) \rangle \\ &= \langle D_k(x, \cdot), T((D_j(\cdot, y) - D_j(x, y))h_k) \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle D_k(x, \cdot), T((D_j(\cdot, y) - D_j(x, y))(1 - h_k)) \rangle \\ &= D + B \end{aligned} \quad (4.19)$$

But, since  $\|D_k(x, \cdot)\|_\epsilon \leq C(2A)^{k(1+\epsilon)}$ ,  $\|[D_j(\cdot, y) - D_j(x, y)]h_k\|_\epsilon \leq C(2A)^{j(1+\epsilon)}$  and their supports are both contained in the ball  $B(x, (2A)^{-k})$  then, applying the weak boundary property, we have that  $|D| \leq C(2A)^j(2A)^{-(k-j)\epsilon}$ , where the constant  $C$  is independent of  $k$  and  $j$  and  $\gamma_2((2A)^{-(k-j)}) := (2A)^{-(k-j)\epsilon}$  satisfies (3.11) when  $\alpha < \epsilon$ .

On the other side, since  $\delta(z, u) \geq (2A)^{-k}$  and  $\int_X D_k(x, z) d\mu(z) = 0$ , the second term in (4.19) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \iint D_k(x, z)(K(z, u) - K(x, u))(D_j(u, y) - D_j(x, y)) \\ &\quad \times (1 - h_k(u)) d\mu(u) d\mu(z). \end{aligned} \quad (4.20)$$

Next we split  $|B|$  as

$$\begin{aligned} |B| &\leq \left( \iint_{(2A)(2A)^{-k} \leq \delta(x,u) \leq (2A)(2A)^{-j}} + \iint_{\delta(x,u) \geq (2A)(2A)^{-j}} \right) \\ &\quad |D_k(x, z)| |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| |D_j(u, y) - D_j(x, y)| d\mu(u) d\mu(z) \\ &= B_1 + B_2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.21)$$

Since there is a positive constant  $C$ , independent of  $j$ , such that

$|D_j(u, y) - D_j(x, y)| \leq C \min((2A)^{j(1+\epsilon)} \delta(x, u)^\epsilon, (2A)^j)$ , we first get that

$$B_2 \leq C(2A)^j \int |D_k(x, z)| \left( \int_{\delta(x,u) \geq (2A)(2A)^{-j}} |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| d\mu(u) \right) d\mu(z). \quad (4.22)$$

Splitting  $(2A)^{-j} = (2A)^{k-j}(2A)^{-k}$ , ( $k \geq j$ ), and applying (H1), we obtain that  $B_2 \leq C(2A)^j \gamma_1((2A)^{-(k-j)})$ . We also get that

$$B_1 \leq C(2A)^{j(1+\epsilon)} \times \int |D_k(x, z)| \left( \int_{(2A)^{-k+1} \leq \delta(x, u) \leq (2A)^{-j+1}} \delta(x, u)^\epsilon |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| d\mu(u) \right) d\mu(z). \quad (4.23)$$

Applying (H1), the inner integral in (4.23) is dominated by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{m=1}^{k-j} \int_{\substack{(2A)^{-k+m} \leq \delta(x, u) \\ \leq (2A)^{-k+m+1}}} \delta(x, u)^\epsilon |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| d\mu(u) \\ & \leq C(2A)^{-k\epsilon} \sum_{m=1}^{k-j} (2A)^{m\epsilon} \int_{\delta(x, u) \geq (2A)^m (2A)^{-k}} |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| d\mu(u) \\ & \leq C(2A)^{-k\epsilon} \sum_{m=1}^{k-j} (2A)^{m\epsilon} \gamma_1((2A)^{-m}), \end{aligned}$$

and then it follows that  $B_1 \leq C(2A)^j \gamma_3((2A)^{-(k-j)})$ , where  $\gamma_3((2A)^{-l}) = (2A)^{-l\epsilon} \sum_{m=1}^l (2A)^{m\epsilon} \gamma_1((2A)^{-m})$  verifies (3.11) for  $\alpha < \epsilon$ . Denoting  $\omega = \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 + \gamma_3$ , from the above results, for  $k \geq j$  we have that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\delta(x, y) \leq (4A^2)(2A)^{-j}} |K_{k,j}(x, y)| \{d\mu(x) + d\mu(y)\} \\ & \leq \int_{\delta(x, y) \leq (4A^2)(2A)^{-j}} D + B\{d\mu(x) + d\mu(y)\} \leq C\omega((2A)^{-(k-j)}). \end{aligned} \quad (4.24)$$

Let now consider the case  $k < j$ . As  $\int D_j d\mu(u) = 0$ , for  $\delta(x, y) \geq 4A^2(2A)^{-k}$ , we have that

$$K_{k,j}(x, y) = \int_X \int_X D_j(u, y)(K(z, u) - K(z, y))D_k(x, z) d\mu(u) d\mu(z).$$

Since in this case we get that  $\delta(z, u) \geq (2A)^{-k}$ , from (H1'), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\delta(x, y) \geq 4A^2(2A)^{-k}} |K_{k,j}(x, y)| d\mu(x) \\ & \leq C \int |D_j(u, y)| \left( \int_{\delta(z, u) \geq (2A)^{-k}} |K(z, u) - K(z, y)| d\mu(z) \right) d\mu(u) \\ & \leq C\gamma_1(1) \int |D_j(u, y)| d\mu(u) \leq C. \end{aligned} \quad (4.25)$$

Similarly, from the null average of  $D_k(x, \cdot)$ , we write

$$K_{k,j}(x, y) = \int_X \int_X D_k(x, z)(K(z, u) - K(x, u))D_j(u, y)$$

and, by (H1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\delta(x, y) \geq 4A^2(2A)^{-k}} |K_{k,j}(x, y)| d\mu(y) \\ & \leq C \int |D_k(x, z)| \left( \int_{\delta(x, u) \geq (2A)^{-k}} |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| d\mu(u) \right) d\mu(z) \\ & \leq C. \end{aligned} \quad (4.26)$$

For  $\delta(x, y) \leq 4A^2(2A)^{-k}$  we proceed as in the case  $k \geq j$ . In fact, denoting  $l_j(z) = \xi((2A)^j \delta(y, z))$ ;  $z \in X$ , where  $\xi$  is defined like in that case, we display  $K_{k,j}$  as

$$\begin{aligned} K_{k,j}(x, y) &= \langle D_k(x, \cdot) l_j, T(D_j(\cdot, y)) \rangle \\ &\quad + \int \int D_k(x, z) K(z, u) D_j(u, y) (1 - l_j(z)) d\mu(u) d\mu(z) \\ &= \tilde{D} + \tilde{B}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.27)$$

From the (WBP), the first term  $\tilde{D}$ , which must be understood in the sense of distributions, satisfies  $|\tilde{D}| \leq C(2A)^k$ , because  $|D_k l_j|_\epsilon \leq C(2A)^k (2A)^{j\epsilon}$ ,  $|D_j|_\epsilon \leq C(2A)^{j(1+\epsilon)}$  and their supports are both contained in  $B(y, 3A(2A)^{-j})$ .

From the null average of  $D_j(\cdot, y)$  and the property  $\|D_k(x, \cdot)\|_\infty \leq C(2A)^k$ , applying  $(H1')$ , we also get that

$$\begin{aligned} |\tilde{B}| &\leq C(2A)^k \int_{\delta(y, u) \leq (2A)^{-j}} |D_j(u, y)| \left( \int_{\substack{\delta(y, z) \geq (2A)(2A)^{-j} \\ \delta(x, z) < (2A)^{-k}}} |K(z, u) - K(z, y)| d\mu(z) \right) d\mu(u) \\ &\leq C(2A)^k. \end{aligned}$$

By integrating  $|\tilde{D}| + |\tilde{B}|$  over the set  $\{\delta(x, y) \leq 4A^2(2A)^{-k}\}$  in  $d\mu(x)$  and in  $d\mu(y)$  we obtain the desired estimate and this ends the proof of Lemma (4.1).  $\diamond$

**REMARKS 4.2** Note that if in addition we have  $T^*1 = 0$ , then we also obtain (4.16) for  $k < j$  since conditions on  $T$  and  $T^*$  are symmetric and

$$\begin{aligned} K_{k,j}(x, y) &= \langle D_k(x, \cdot), T D_j(\cdot, y) \rangle = \langle T^* D_k(x, \cdot), D_j(\cdot, y) \rangle \\ &= \langle T^* D_k(\cdot, x), D_j(y, \cdot) \rangle = K_{j,k}^*(y, x). \end{aligned} \quad (4.28)$$

**PROOF: OF THEOREM (3.1)**

Let denote  $\Omega = \tilde{B}_p^{\psi, q}$  and  $\beta = \max(s_1, s_2)$ , where  $\psi = \phi_1/\phi_2$ .

Since  $M^{(\epsilon', \epsilon')}$  is dense in  $\Omega$ ,  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$ , for all  $\epsilon'$  such that  $\beta < \epsilon' < \epsilon$  it is enough to show that there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that  $\|Tf\|_\Omega \leq C\|f\|_\Omega$  for all  $f \in M^{(\epsilon', \epsilon')}$ .

By Lemma (4.1),  $T_{k,j}$  is an integral operator defined by

$$T_{k,j}h(x) = \int K_{k,j}(x, y) h(y) d\mu(y), \quad x \in X.$$

and for  $k \geq j$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , it satisfies

$$\|T_{k,j}h\|_p \leq C\omega((2A)^{-(k-j)})\|h\|_p, \quad (4.29)$$

In fact, applying Hölder's inequality, for  $1 < p < \infty$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_{k,j}h\|_p &\leq \left( \int \left( \int |K_{k,j}(x, y)| |h(y)| d\mu(y) \right)^p d\mu(x) \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq \left( \int \left( \int |K_{k,j}(x, y)| d\mu(y) \right)^{p/p'} \left( \int |K_{k,j}(x, y)| |h(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right) d\mu(x) \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C\omega((2A)^{-(k-j)})\|h\|_p \end{aligned} \quad (4.30)$$

and, for  $p = 1$ , we have

$$\|T_{k,j}h\|_1 \leq \int \int |K_{k,j}(x,y)| |h(y)| d\mu(y) d\mu(x) \leq C\omega((2A)^{-(k-j)}) \|h\|_1. \quad (4.31)$$

For  $k < j$  and also from Lemma (4.1) we obtain

$$\|T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)\|_p \leq C \|\hat{D}_j f\|_p. \quad (4.32)$$

On the other hand, from (4.14) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Tf\|_{\dot{B}_p^{\psi,q}} &= \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{\|D_k(Tf)\|_p}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \|D_k T D_j(\hat{D}_j f)\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &= \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \|T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \sum_{j \leq k} \|T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\quad + \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \sum_{j > k} \|T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} = S_1 + S_2. \quad (4.33) \end{aligned}$$

Nevertheless, from the definitions of lower and upper type, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} &\leq \frac{\phi_2((2A)^{-k})}{\phi_1((2A)^{-k})} \leq C(2A)^{(k-j)(s_1-i_2)} \frac{\phi_2((2A)^{-j})}{\phi_1((2A)^{-j})} \\ &= C(2A)^{(k-j)(s_1-i_2)} \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-j})} \text{ for } k \geq j, \end{aligned} \quad (4.34)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and} \\ \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} &\leq C(2A)^{(j-k)(s_2-i_1)} \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-j})} \text{ for } k < j. \end{aligned} \quad (4.35)$$

Therefore, applying (4.34) and (4.29) we get

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &\leq C \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{j \leq k} (2A)^{(k-j)(s_1-i_2)} \omega((2A)^{-(k-j)}) \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-j})} \|\hat{D}_j f\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &= C \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{j \geq 0} (2A)^{j(s_1-i_2)} \omega((2A)^{-j}) \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-(k-j)})} \|\hat{D}_{k-j} f\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq C \sum_{j \geq 0} (2A)^{j(s_1-i_2)} \omega((2A)^{-j}) \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-(k-j)})} \|\hat{D}_{k-j} f\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{\dot{B}_p^{\psi,q}}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.36)$$

since by hypothesis,

$$\sum_{j \geq 0} (2A)^{j(s_1 - i_2)} \omega((2A)^{-j}) \leq \sum_{j \geq 0} (2A)^{j\alpha} \omega((2A)^{-j}) < \infty.$$

On the other side, applying (4.35) and (4.32) we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_2 &\leq C \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{j > k} (2A)^{(j-k)(s_2 - i_1)} \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-j})} \|\hat{D}_j f\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &= C \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{j < 0} (2A)^{j(i_1 - s_2)} \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-(k-j)})} \|\hat{D}_{k-j} f\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq C \sum_{j < 0} (2A)^{j(i_1 - s_2)} \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-(k-j)})} \|\hat{D}_{k-j} f\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned} \quad (4.37)$$

$$\leq C \|f\|_{\dot{B}_p^{\psi, q}}, \quad (4.38)$$

whenever  $i_1 - s_2 > 0$ . Finally, by Remark (4.2), if  $T1 = T^*1 = 0$  then (4.16) is valid, and also (4.29), for all  $k$  and  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Therefore, instead of (4.37) the bound for  $S_2$  is

$$\begin{aligned} S_2 &\leq C \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{j > k} (2A)^{(j-k)(s_2 - i_1)} \omega((2A)^{-(j-k)}) \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-j})} \|\hat{D}_j f\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq C \sum_{j > 0} (2A)^{j(s_2 - i_1)} \omega((2A)^{-j}) \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-(k-j)})} \|\hat{D}_{k-j} f\|_p \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned} \quad (4.39)$$

$$\leq C \|f\|_{\dot{B}_p^{\psi, q}}, \quad (4.40)$$

whenever  $s_2 - i_1 \leq \alpha$ . In this way, the proof of this theorem is complete.  $\diamond$

To prove Theorem (3.2) we need the following two technical lemmas:

**LEMMA 4.3** *Let  $T$  be associated to a kernel  $K$  satisfying  $(S^r1)$  with modulus of continuity  $\gamma_r$ ,  $1 < r < \infty$  and  $1/r + 1/r' = 1$ . Then, for  $k \geq j$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \int_{(2A)^i (2A)^{-j} \leq \delta(x, y) \leq (2A)^{i+1} (2A)^{-j}} |K_{k,j}(x, y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\leq C((2A)^i (2A)^{-j})^{-\frac{1}{r}} \sum_{l=-1}^1 \gamma_r((2A)^{-(i+l)} (2A)^{-|k-j|}), \quad i = 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned} \quad (4.41)$$

For  $k < j$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \int_{(2A)^i (2A)^{-k} \leq \delta(x, y) \leq (2A)^{i+1} (2A)^{-k}} |K_{k,j}(x, y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\leq C((2A)^i (2A)^{-k})^{-\frac{1}{r}} \sum_{l=-1}^1 \gamma_r((2A)^{-(i+l)} (2A)^{-|k-j|}), \quad i = 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned} \quad (4.42)$$

PROOF:

Let first consider the case  $k \geq j$ . Denote  $t = (2A)^{-j}$  and  $s = (2A)^{-k}$ . Let also define the set  $Q_i = \{y : (2A)^i t \leq \delta(x, y) \leq (2A)^{i+1} t\}$ ,  $i = 2, 3, \dots$ . For  $y \in Q_i$ ,  $D_k(x, z) \neq 0$  and  $D_j(u, y) \neq 0$ , we get that  $\delta(z, u) \geq (2A)^{i-1} t$  and then the kernel  $K_{k,j}(x, y)$  is well defined as

$$\begin{aligned} K_{k,j}(x, y) &= \int_X \int_X D_k(x, z) K(z, u) D_j(u, y) d\mu(u) d\mu(z) \\ &= \int_X \int_X D_k(x, z) (K(z, u) - K(x, u)) D_j(u, y) d\mu(u) d\mu(z), \end{aligned} \quad (4.43)$$

as  $\int D_k(x, z) d\mu(z) = 0$ . Since  $\text{sop} D_j(\cdot, y) \in B(y, t)$  and  $\|D_j\|_\infty \leq C1/t$  we have that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \int_{Q_i} |K_{k,j}(x, y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\leq C \left( \int_{Q_i} \left( \int_{\delta(u, y) < t} |D_k(x, z)| \left( \frac{1}{t} \int |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| d\mu(u) \right) d\mu(z) \right)^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \end{aligned} \quad (4.44)$$

Applying Hölder's inequality to the inner integral in (4.44), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \int_{Q_i} |K_{k,j}(x, y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\leq C \left( \int_{Q_i} \left( \int_{\delta(u, y) < t} |D_k(x, z)| \left( \frac{1}{t} \int |K(z, u) - K(x, u)|^r d\mu(u) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} d\mu(z) \right)^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \end{aligned} \quad (4.45)$$

Then applying Minkowski's inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \int_{Q_i} |K_{k,j}(x, y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\leq C \int_{\delta(x, z) \leq s} |D_k(x, z)| \left( \int_{Q_i} \frac{1}{t} \int_{\delta(u, y) < t} |K(z, u) - K(x, u)|^r d\mu(u) d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} d\mu(z). \end{aligned} \quad (4.46)$$

Moreover, if  $y \in Q_i$  and  $\delta(u, y) < t$ , then  $(2A)^{i-1} t \leq \delta(x, u) \leq (2A)^{i+2} t$ . Therefore, writing  $t = (2A)^{k-j} s$  and applying Tonelli's theorem to the integrals in  $d\mu(u)$  and  $d\mu(y)$  we obtain the bound

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \int_{Q_i} |K_{k,j}(x, y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\leq C \sup_{\substack{(x, z): \delta(x, z) < s \\ s > 0}} \left( \int_{(2A)^{i+k-j-1} s \leq \delta(x, u) < (2A)^{i+k-j+2} s} |K(z, u) - K(x, u)|^r d\mu(u) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \end{aligned} \quad (4.47)$$



Since  $i + k - j \geq 1$ , we apply the weaker condition  $(H^r 1)$  to prove that

$$\left( \int_{\hat{Q}_i} |K_{k,j}(x, y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq C((2A)^{i-j})^{-\frac{1}{r}} \sum_{l=-1}^1 \gamma_r((2A)^{-(i+k-j+l)}) \quad (4.48)$$

and then we get (4.41).

Let now consider the case  $k < j$  and denote  $\hat{Q}_i = \{y : (2A)^i s \leq \delta(x, y) \leq (2A)^{i+1} s\}$ , with  $i = 2, 3, \dots$

Subtracting  $K(z, y)$  instead of  $K(x, u)$  in (4.43) and proceeding as in (4.44), (4.45) and (4.46), we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \int_{\hat{Q}_i} |K_{k,j}(x, y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ & \leq C \int |D_k(x, z)| \left( \int_{\hat{Q}_i} \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_{\delta(u, y) < t} |K(z, u) - K(z, y)|^r d\mu(u) \right) d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} d\mu(z). \end{aligned} \quad (4.49)$$

But, if  $y \in \hat{Q}_i$ ,  $\delta(x, z) < s$  and  $\delta(u, y) < t$  then  $(2A)^{i-1} s \leq \delta(z, y) < (2A)^{i+2} s$ . Moreover, writing  $s = (2A)^{j-k} t$  and applying condition  $(S^r 1)$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \int_{\hat{Q}_i} |K_{k,j}(x, y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ & \leq C \sup_{\delta(v, w) < t} \left( \int_{\substack{(2A)^{i+j-k-1} t \leq \delta(w, y) \\ < (2A)^{i+j-k+2} t}} \sup_{\substack{0 < \tau \leq t \\ \delta(u, y) < \tau}} \left( \frac{1}{\tau} \int |K(v, u) - K(w, y)|^r d\mu(u) \right) d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ & \leq C((2A)^{i-k})^{-\frac{1}{r}} \sum_{l=-1}^1 \gamma_r((2A)^{-(i+j-k+l)}) \diamond \end{aligned} \quad (4.50)$$

**LEMMA 4.4** Let  $r, r'$  and  $\gamma_r$  be like in Lemma (4.3). Let  $T: \Lambda_\theta^\beta \rightarrow (\Lambda_\theta^\beta)'$  be a linear continuous operator,  $0 < \beta \leq \epsilon$  which is weakly bounded of order  $\epsilon$  with  $0 < \epsilon \leq \theta$  and such that  $T1 = 0$ . Let also  $K$ , its associated kernel, verify  $(S^r 0)$ ,  $(S^r 1)$  and  $(H^r 1')$ . Then,

(a) For  $k \geq j$ , we have

$$\int |K_{k,j}(x, y)| |h(y)| d\mu(y) \leq \omega((2A)^{-|k-j|}) \left( M(|h|^{r'})(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \quad (4.51)$$

where  $M$  is the Hardy-Littlewood maximal operator. Moreover,  $\omega$  satisfies  $\sum_{l=0}^\infty \omega((2A)^{-l}) < \infty$ ; whenever  $\gamma_r$  satisfies  $\sum_{l=0}^\infty l \gamma_r((2A)^{-l}) < \infty$ , and  $\omega$  satisfies (3.11) with  $0 < \alpha < \epsilon$ , whenever  $\gamma_r$  satisfies the same condition.

(b) For  $k < j$  there is a constant  $C$ , not depending of  $k$  and  $j$ , such that if  $\gamma_r$  verifies

$\sum_{l=0}^\infty \gamma_r((2A)^{-l}) < \infty$  then

$$\int |K_{k,j}(x, y)| |h(y)| d\mu(y) \leq C \left( M(|h|^{r'})(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}}. \quad (4.52)$$

PROOF:

We first consider the case  $k \geq j$ . Denote, as in the previous lemma,  $t = (2A)^{-j}$ ,  $s = (2A)^{-k}$  and  $Q_i = \{(2A)^i t \leq \delta(x, y) \leq (2A)^{i+1} t\}$  with  $i = 2, 3, \dots$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int |K_{k,j}(x, y)| |h(y)| d\mu(y) &= \left( \int_{\delta(x, y) \leq 4A^2 t} + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \int_{Q_i} \right) |K_{k,j}(x, y)| |h(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &= I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.53)$$

To estimate  $I_1$  we use the bounds obtained in the proof of Lemma (4.1) for the case  $\delta(x, y) \leq 4A^2(2A)^{-j}$  and  $k \geq j$ .

Using the hypothesis  $T1 = 0$ , in (4.19) we have  $K_{k,j}(x, y) = D + B$ , with

$$|D| \leq C(2A)^j (2A)^{-(k-j)\epsilon} := C(2A)^j \delta_1((2A)^{-(k-j)})$$

and  $|B| \leq B_1 + B_2$ , with

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 &\leq \int \int_{(2A)(2A)^{-k} \leq \delta(x, u) \leq (2A)(2A)^{-j}} |D_k(x, z)| |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| \\ &\quad \times |D_j(u, y) - D_j(x, y)| d\mu(u) d\mu(z), \end{aligned} \quad (4.54)$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_2 &\leq \int \int_{\delta(x, u) \geq (2A)(2A)^{-j}} |D_k(x, z)| |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| \\ &\quad \times |D_j(u, y) - D_j(x, y)| d\mu(u) d\mu(z). \end{aligned} \quad (4.55)$$

By the fact that  $\|D_j\|_{\infty} \leq C(2A)^j$ , splitting the inner integral in (4.55) as the series of the integrals over the sets  $(2A)^i t \leq \delta(x, u) \leq (2A)^{i+1} t$  and applying Hölder's inequality, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} B_2 &\leq C(2A)^j \int |D_k(x, z)| \\ &\quad \times \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ((2A)^i t)^{\frac{1}{r}} C \left( \int_{(2A)^i t \leq \delta(x, u) \leq (2A)^{i+1} t} |K(z, u) - K(x, u)|^r d\mu(u) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} d\mu(z). \end{aligned} \quad (4.56)$$

As  $i - j = (i + k - j) - k$  and  $i + k - j > 1$ , it is enough to apply the weaker condition  $(H^r 1)$  to conclude that

$$B_2 \leq C(2A)^j \delta_2((2A)^{-(k-j)}), \quad (4.57)$$

with  $\delta_2((2A)^{-l}) := \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_r((2A)^{-i}(2A)^{-l})$ . On the other side, like in (4.23), we have that

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 &\leq C(2A)^{j(1+\epsilon)} \\ &\quad \times \int |D_k(x, z)| \left( \int_{(2A)s \leq \delta(x, u) \leq (2A)t} \delta(x, u)^{\epsilon} |K(z, u) - K(x, u)| d\mu(u) \right) d\mu(z) \end{aligned} \quad (4.58)$$

Splitting the inner integral as the sum of  $k - j$  integrals over the sets  $\{(2A)^m s \leq \delta(x, u) \leq (2A)^{m+1} s\}$ , applying Hölder's inequality and, once more, condition  $(H^r 1)$ , we obtain

$$B_1 \leq C_{\epsilon}(2A)^j \delta_3((2A)^{-(k-j)}), \quad (4.59)$$

with  $\delta_3((2A)^{-l}) := (2A)^{-lc} \sum_{m=1}^l (2A)^{mc} \gamma_r((2A)^{-m})$ .

It is easy to check that  $\omega_1 = \delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3$ , satisfies the summability properties enunciated in this Lemma and also, the first term in (4.53) satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &\leq C\omega_1((2A)^{-(k-j)})(2A)^j \int_{\delta(x,y) \leq 4A^2(2A)^{-j}} |h(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq C\omega_1((2A)^{-(k-j)}) \left( (2A)^j \int_{\delta(x,y) \leq 4A^2(2A)^{-j}} |h(y)|^{r'} d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \\ &\leq C\omega_1((2A)^{-|k-j|}) [M(|h|^{r'})(x)]^{\frac{1}{r'}}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.60)$$

On the other side, from Hölder's inequality and inequality (4.41) obtained in Lemma (4.3), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &\leq \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \left( \int_{Q_i} |K_{k,j}(x,y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \left( \int_{\delta(x,y) < (2A)^{i+1}t} |h(y)|^{r'} d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \\ &\leq \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \sum_{l=-1}^1 \gamma_r((2A)^{-(i+l)}(2A)^{-(k-j)}) [(2A)^i t]^{-\frac{1}{r}} \left( \int_{\delta(x,y) < (2A)^{i+1}t} |h(y)|^{r'} d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \\ &\leq C\omega_2((2A)^{-(k-j)}) [M(|h|^{r'})(x)]^{\frac{1}{r}}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.61)$$

with  $\omega_2((2A)^{-l}) := \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_r((2A)^{-i}(2A)^{-l})$ . As  $\omega_2$  satisfies the required summability properties, taking  $\omega = \omega_1 + \omega_2$  we completed the proof of this lemma for the case  $k \geq j$ .

We now consider the case  $k < j$ . In a similar fashion to the previous case we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int |K_{k,j}(x,y)| |h(y)| d\mu(y) &= \left( \int_{\delta(x,y) \leq 4A^2s} + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \int_{Q_i} \right) |K_{k,j}(x,y)| |h(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &= \tilde{I}_1 + \tilde{I}_2, \end{aligned} \quad (4.62)$$

where  $\tilde{Q}_i = \{(2A)^i s \leq \delta(x,y) \leq (2A)^{i+1} s\}$ .

Proceeding as in (4.27) of Lemma (4.1), for  $\delta(x,y) \leq 4A^2s$  we write

$$\begin{aligned} K_{k,j}(x,y) &= \langle D_k(x, \cdot) l_j, T(D_j(\cdot, y)) \rangle \\ &+ \int D_j(u, y) \int D_k(x, z) |K(z, u) - K(z, y)| (1 - l_j(z)) d\mu(u) d\mu(z) \\ &= \tilde{D} + \tilde{B}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $l_j(z) = \xi((2A)^j \delta(y, z))$  and  $\xi$  is defined as in that lemma.

By the weak boundary property (WBP), we have that  $\tilde{D} \leq C(2A)^k$ .

Taking in account that  $\|D_k\|_{\infty} \leq C(2A)^k$ , applying Hölder's inequality, then the hypothesis  $(H^r 1')$  and, finally, the weaker property  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_r((2A)^{-i}) \leq C$ , we get

$$|\tilde{B}| \leq C(2A)^k \int |D_j(u, y)|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \times \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} ((2A)^i t)^{1/r'} \left( \int_{\delta(z,y) \leq (2A)^{i+1} t} |K(z,u) - K(z,y)|^r d\mu(z) \right)^{1/r} d\mu(u) \\
& \leq C(2A)^k \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \gamma_r((2A)^{-i}) \leq C(2A)^k
\end{aligned} \quad (4.63)$$

Then it follows that

$$\tilde{I}_1 \leq C(2A)^k \int_{\delta(x,y) \leq 4A^2(2A)^{-k}} |h(y)| d\mu(y) \leq C [M(|h|^{r'})(x)]^{\frac{1}{r'}}. \quad (4.64)$$

To estimate  $\tilde{I}_2$  we first apply Hölder's inequality, then inequality (4.42) obtained in Lemma (4.3) and, as  $\gamma_r$  is quasi increasing we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{I}_2 & \leq \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \sum_{l=-1}^1 \gamma_r((2A)^{-(i+l)}(2A)^{-(j-k)}) \\
& \quad \times ((2A)^i(2A)^{-k})^{\frac{-1}{r'}} \left( \int_{\delta(x,y) \leq (2A)^{i+1}(2A)^{-k}} |h(y)|^{r'} d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \\
& \leq \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \sum_{l=-1}^1 \gamma_r((2A)^{-(i+l)}) [M(|h|^{r'})(x)]^{\frac{1}{r'}} \leq C [M(|h|^{r'})(x)]^{\frac{1}{r'}}.
\end{aligned} \quad (4.65)$$

In this way the case  $k < j$  is also proved.  $\diamond$

**REMARKS 4.5** Note that if we have  $T^*1 = 0$  in addition of the hypothesis of Lemma (4.4), then we also obtain (4.51) for the case  $k < j$ . In fact, we proceed in a similar way to that of the case  $k \geq j$  but, for the case  $\delta(x, y) \leq 4A^2(2A)^{-k}$  we apply  $(H^*1')$ , and for the case  $\delta(x, y) > 4A^2(2A)^{-k}$ , we use (4.42).

#### PROOF OF THEOREM (3.2)

Let denote  $\Omega = \dot{F}_p^{\psi,q}(w)$  and,  $\beta = 0$  for  $\psi(t) = 1$  or  $\beta = \max(s_1, s_2)$  for  $\psi = \phi_1/\phi_2$ . Since the space  $M^{(\epsilon', \epsilon')}$  is dense in  $\Omega$  for all  $\epsilon'$  such that  $\beta < \epsilon' < \epsilon$ , it is enough to show that there is a constant  $C > 0$  such that  $\|Tf\|_{\Omega} \leq C\|f\|_{\Omega}$  for all  $f \in M^{(\epsilon', \epsilon')}$ . But,

$$\begin{aligned}
\|Tf\|_{\Omega} &= \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} |D_k(Tf)(x)| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p(w)} \\
&= \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} | \langle Tf, D_k(x, \cdot) \rangle | \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p(w)} \\
&\leq \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |D_k T D_j(\hat{D}_j f)(x)| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p(w)} \\
&= \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)(x)| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p(w)},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \left( \sum_{j \leq k} |T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)(x)| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p(w)} \\
&\quad + \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \left( \sum_{j > k} |T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)(x)| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p(w)} \\
&= \|S_1(x)\|_{L^p(w)} + \|S_2(x)\|_{L^p(w)}, \tag{4.66}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)(x) = \int K_{k,j}(x, y)(\hat{D}_j f)(y) d\mu(y)$ .

To estimate  $S_1$  we apply (4.51) of Lemma (4.4) to obtain that  $T_{k,j}$  satisfies

$$|T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)(x)| \leq C\omega((2A)^{-(k-j)})(M|\hat{D}_j f|^{r'}(x))^{\frac{1}{r'}},$$

for  $k \geq j$ . From inequality (4.34) obtained in the proof of Theorem 3.1 (which is obviously true in the case  $\psi(t) = 1$ ), and Minkowski's inequality it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
&S_1(x) \\
&\leq \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{j \leq k} (2A)^{(k-j)(s_1-i_2)} \omega((2A)^{-(k-j)}) \left( M \left( \frac{|\hat{D}_j f|}{\psi((2A)^{-j})} \right)^{r'}(x) \right)^{\frac{q}{r'}} \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\
&\leq \sum_{j \geq 0} (2A)^{j(s_1-i_2)} \omega((2A)^{-j}) \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( M \left( \frac{|\hat{D}_{k-j} f|}{\psi((2A)^{-(k-j)})} \right)^{r'}(x) \right)^{\frac{q}{r'}} \right)^{1/q} \\
&= \sum_{j \geq 0} (2A)^{j(s_1-i_2)} \omega((2A)^{-j}) \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( M \left( \frac{|\hat{D}_k f|}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \right)^{r'}(x) \right)^{\frac{q}{r'}} \right)^{1/q} \tag{4.67}
\end{aligned}$$

Nevertheless, by Lemma (4.4), the first factor in the last inequality is a finite constant since, from the hypothesis  $\sum_{j \geq 0} j \gamma_r((2A)^{-j}) < \infty$ , in the case  $\psi(t) = 1$  it is equal to  $\sum_{j \geq 0} \omega((2A)^{-j}) < \infty$ , and, from the hypothesis  $\sum_{j \geq 0} (2A)^{j\alpha} \gamma_r((2A)^{-j}) < \infty$ , in the case  $\psi(t) = \phi_1(t)/\phi_2(t)$  and  $s_1 - i_2 \leq \alpha$ , it is lower than or equal to  $\sum_{j \geq 0} (2A)^{j\alpha} \omega((2A)^{-j}) < \infty$ .

Therefore, we have proved that

$$S_1(x) \leq C \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( M \left( \frac{|\hat{D}_k f|}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \right)^{r'}(x) \right)^{\frac{q}{r'}} \right)^{1/q}. \tag{4.68}$$

Since  $1 < p/r', q/r' < \infty$ , we are able to apply the weighted version of the Fefferman-Stein vector valued maximal inequality to obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|S_1\|_{L^p(w)} &\leq C \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( M \left( \frac{|\hat{D}_k f|}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \right)^{r'}(x) \right)^{\frac{q}{r'}} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p(w)} \\
&\leq \left\| \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{|\hat{D}_k f|}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \right)^q(x) \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p(w)} = C \|f\|_{\dot{F}_p^{\psi,q}(w)} \tag{4.69}
\end{aligned}$$

Let now estimate  $S_2$ . From Remark (4.5), when  $T^*1 = 0$  we also have  $|T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)(x)| \leq C\omega((2A)^{-(j-k)})(M|\hat{D}_j f|^{r'}(x))^{\frac{1}{r'}}$  for  $k < j$ . Then using inequality (4.35) and proceeding like in the previous case we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} S_2(x) &\leq C \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{j > k} (2A)^{(j-k)(s_2-i_1)} \omega((2A)^{-(j-k)}) \left( M \left( \frac{|\hat{D}_j f|}{\psi((2A)^{-j})} \right)^{r'}(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq C \sum_{j > 0} (2A)^{j(s_2-i_1)} \omega((2A)^{-j}) \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( M \left( \frac{|\hat{D}_k f|}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \right)^{r'}(x) \right)^{\frac{q}{r'}} \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned} \quad (4.70)$$

$$\leq C \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( M \left( \frac{|\hat{D}_k f|}{\psi((2A)^{-k})} \right)^{r'}(x) \right)^{\frac{q}{r'}} \right)^{1/q}, \quad (4.71)$$

since, by the same argument that in the previous case  $k \geq j$ , we can assert that  $\sum_{j > 0} (2A)^{j(s_2-i_1)} \omega((2A)^{-j}) < \infty$  if either  $s_2 = i_1 = 0$ , when  $\psi(t) = 1$ , or  $s_2 - i_1 \leq \alpha$  in the other case. Then the proof follows in exactly the same way than before to get that

$$\|S_2\|_{L^p(w)} \leq C \|f\|_{\dot{F}_p^{\psi,q}(w)}. \quad (4.72)$$

Nevertheless, if condition  $T^*1 = 0$  is not required then, from inequality (4.52), we still have that  $|T_{k,j}(\hat{D}_j f)(x)| \leq C(M|\hat{D}_j f|^{r'}(x))^{\frac{1}{r'}}$ . Then to estimate  $S_2(x)$ , the constant appearing in (4.70) must be replaced by  $\sum_{j > 0} (2A)^{j(s_2-i_1)} < \infty$  whenever  $i_1 - s_2 > 0$ . From there on, the proof is the same as before.  $\diamond$

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